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Re: Appeal No. DOJ-AP-2019-000727  
Request No. 1409926  
MWH:EMY

**VIA: Email**

Dear Emma Best:

You attempted to appeal from the action of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on your Freedom of Information Act request for access to "copies of any requests for documents, information, briefings or testimony sent to either the director's office or the appropriate congressional liaison office between January 1, 2015 and December 31, 2017."

Pursuant to the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (2012 & Supp. V 2017), and 28 C.F.R. § 16.8(a) (2018), an appeal must be postmarked or transmitted electronically within ninety calendar days after the date of the response. By letter dated July 10, 2018, the FBI responded to your request and advised you of your appeal rights. Your letter attempting to appeal was postmarked on October 16, 2018, more than a week after the regulatory deadline. Therefore, I am closing your appeal file due to your failure to appeal timely.

If you have any questions regarding the action this Office has taken on your appeal, you may contact this Office's FOIA Public Liaison for your appeal. Specifically, you may speak with the undersigned agency official by calling (202) 514-3642.

Sincerely,

7/29/2019

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Matthew Hurd, Associate Chief, for  
Sean O'Neill, Chief, Administrative Appeals Staff  
Signed by: MATTHEW HURD